

Today, I called for the United States to suspend all transfers or releases of detainees from Guantanamo Bay.

Recently, I learned that nearly all senior Taliban leaders in NATO's Afghan Regional Command - South are detainees previously released from Guantanamo Bay. The photo below shows Abdullah Ghulam Rasoul, a.k.a. Mullah Zakir, the region's most prominent Taliban leader who was released from Guantanamo in 2007. From Yemen to Afghanistan, released Guantanamo detainees are returning to the battlefield of the War on Terror. The policy of releasing Guantanamo detainees directly harms our national security and it should end. Too many of the released detainees currently represent a clear and present danger to Americans serving in Afghanistan.

